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SUBJECT: SHAPE FLEXIBILITY STUDY

REF: USNATO 4222

1. AT CONCLUSION OF A RECENT DRC MEETING, SHAPE REP(BGEN MILLER) PROVIDED FOLLOWING REPORT ON STATUS OF SHAPEFLEXIBILITY STUDY.
(A) THAT PORTION OF THE STUDY WHICH DEALS WITH THE CENTRAL REGION IS UNDERWAY, AND SOME PRELIMINARY WORK IS ALSO STARTING CONCERNING THE NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN REGIONS. WORK IS PROCEEDING ALONG THE LINES OF THE US LETTER WHICH FORMS THE TERMS OF REFERENCE (REFTEL), AND THE STUDY WILL COVER ALL FORCES WHICH MIGHT BECOME AVAILABLE, WHETHER OR NOT COMMITTED TO NATO. BOTH SHAPE AND THE SUBORDINATE COMMANDS IN THE CENTRAL REGION ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE STUDY.
(B) THE STUDY WILL BE DONE IN THREE PHASES: (I) EVALUATION OF THE PRESENT SITUATION, (8) IDENTIFICATION OF CONSTRAINING FACTORS, AND (III) ACTIONS WHICH SHOULD BE TAKEN TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION, INCLUDING BOTH SHORT TERM, LOW COST MEASURES AND LONGER TERM PROGRAMS.
(C) IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT THE PRELIMINARY REPORT WHICH SHAPE WILL CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBMIT THIS FALL WILL TREAT ONLY THE CENTRAL REGION PORTION OF THE STUDY.

2. COMMENT. IN SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION WITH MISSION OFFICER,

SHAPE REP ESTIMATED THAT PRELIMINARY REPORT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED
TO MILITARY COMMITTEE SHORTLY. IT WILL PROBABLY BE IN
THE NATURE OF A STATUS REPORT, AND WILL NOT BE PARTICULARLY
SUBSTANTIVE.
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